

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE 2001 BUDGET ACT 2001-02 FISCAL YEAR

JULY 30, 2001

[Containing Statements of Intent or Requests
for Studies Adopted by the Legislature]

Budget

Item 6110-001-0001—State Department of Education

3. *Special Education Compliance Monitoring System Reports—Description of Existing System and Long Term Plan.* It is the intent of the Legislature that the SDE in conjunction with the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) and the Department of Finance (DOF), prepare the following two reports:

- (a) A brief report that describes and enumerates the essential components of the 2001-02 compliance monitoring system for special education programs and the SDE's special education division's staffing allocation for the monitoring system. This report shall include a description of the number, type, and frequency of monitoring reviews; identification of Key Performance Indicator(s') utilized and local education agency rankings; and a description of how SDE training and technical assistance is tied to areas of noncompliance statewide. This report shall also identify which focused monitoring requirements are directly tied to compliance with federal law and federal regulations and which are a result of state law and state policy, citing the specific federal and state references. This report shall be submitted to the appropriate legislative committees and the Governor by September 1, 2001.
- (b) A brief report that provides a special education program monitoring system plan for 2002-03, 2003-04, and 2004-05, including recommendations for improving the monitoring system, if necessary. This report shall be submitted to the appropriate legislative committees and the Governor by December 1, 2001.

The LAO shall be responsible for approving the specific topics and issues to be addressed in each report in consultation with the SDE and DOF, and shall be responsible for convening meetings of the three agencies. In developing both reports, the three agencies shall consult with other interested parties including parents/guardians, teachers, administrators, the Special Education Advisory Commission, legislative staff, and other interested parties.

4. *Special Education Program Monitoring Reviews—Biannual Progress Reports.* It is intent of the Legislature that the SDE report biannually on the status and outcomes of new and ongoing special education program monitoring reviews of local education agencies, including verification reviews, facilitated reviews, federal Corrective Action Plan (Fed-CAP) district reviews, and any other monitoring reviews.

The SDE shall report biannually (December 15th and March 15th) to the chair and vice chairs of the appropriate legislative budget and policy committees, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, the DOF, and the Governor on progress on implementation of the monitoring reviews and their results, including the number of noncompliance findings identified and corrective actions developed. For ongoing reviews, these reports shall also identify the number and type of outstanding corrective actions, timetables for correction, and any sanctions issued. As a part of these biannual reports, SDE shall describe generally the number and types of noncompliance findings identified for monitoring reviews conducted. The format of these biannual reports shall be developed by the Legislative Analyst in conjunction with the DOF and SDE.

To view the full Supplemental Report, go to
http://www.lao.ca.gov/2001/supp_report/073001_supp_rpt.pdf